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Memorandum for: The Director of Central Intelligence

Subject: Investigation of Korean Atrocities.

1. The investigation into Korean atrocities is being conducted by the Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations. The Subcommittee Chairman, Senator McCarthy, has designated Senator Potter as a Subcommittee of one to take the initial testimony. There appears to be no particular reason for the start of this investigation other than the Chairman's feeling that it is something they ought to investigate.

2. The broad grant of authority under the Senate Rules which authorizes the Senate Committee on Government Operations to make studies and investigations of the operation of Government activities at all levels has been delegated to the Committee's Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations. This jurisdiction is so broad that the investigation of Korean atrocities falls well within it.

STATINTL

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